BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 93-280-C - ORDER NO. 93-918

SEPTEMBER 30, 1993

IN RE: Application of AT&T Communications for Reduced Regulations of its Provision of Interexchange Carrier Service. )ORDER APPROVING )STIPULATION AND )HOLDING DOCKET OPEN )TO CONSIDER ISSUES

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc.'s (AT&T's) request for adoption of certain proposals which would reduce the regulatory oversight of its operations in South Carolina. Specifically, AT&T has requested the removal of price caps on its services, the elimination of the requirement for Commission approval of its tariffs (presumptively valid tariffs), elimination of the requirement to maintain separate South Carolina specific financial books and records in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts, and the elimination of the requirement to file information reports setting forth financial data on its operation in South Carolina.

By letter dated May 10, 1993, the Executive Director of the Commission instructed AT&T to publish one time in newspapers of general circulation a prepared Notice of Filing. The Notice of Filing advised interested persons of AT&T's filing and instructed persons on how to participate in the proceeding. AT&T submitted affidavits indicating it complied with the instructions of the

Executive Director. Petitions to Intervene were submitted by Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company, Sprint Communications Company, L.P., GTE South, Inc., Contel of South Carolina d/b/a GTE South Carolina, MCI Telecommunications Corporation, and the Consumer Advocate for the State of South Carolina.

On September 23, 1993, AT&T filed a Stipulation and Agreement entered into by all the parties of record in this docket.

According to this Stipulation and Agreement, the parties agreed that AT&T should no longer be required to adopt Part 32 of the Uniform System of Accounts for intrastate jurisdictional purposes; instead, the parties agreed AT&T should keep its books and records in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles as do all other interexchange carriers operating in South Carolina. AT&T requested that the Commission allow the docket in this matter to remain open while discussions continued on the other outstanding issues.

The Commission finds and concludes that it should and hereby does adopt the Stipulation and Agreement reached by the parties to

this docket. The docket in this matter shall remain open while parties continue their discussion of the outstanding issues.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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